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REMARKS

- 1. Applicant submits minor changes to claims 1, 6 and 8. Specifically, the word "is" is deleted from claim 1, the word "a" is deleted and replaced with the word "an" in claim 6; and the word "flows" is replaced with the word "flow" in claim 8 to correct minor grammatical errors.
- 2. In summary, claims 1-15 remain in the application. Claims 1, 6 and 8 have been amended to correct grammatical errors. It is submitted no new material has been added by these changes, the changes require no additional searching or substantial amount of work on the part of the Examiner, and require nothing more than a cursory review of the record. Accordingly, entry is respectfully requested.

Pursuant to currently recommended Patent Office practice, the Examiner is expressly authorized to call the Applicant's attorney collect at Valencia, California, if in his judgment disposition of this application could be expedited or if he considers the application not ready for examination or final disposition by other than allowance.

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